

# FLORIDA

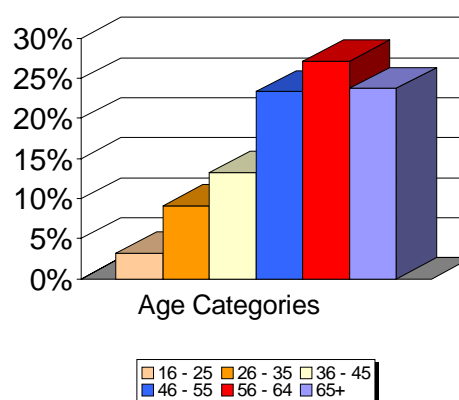
## Results from the 1997 Southeast Socioeconomics Marine Angler Survey\*



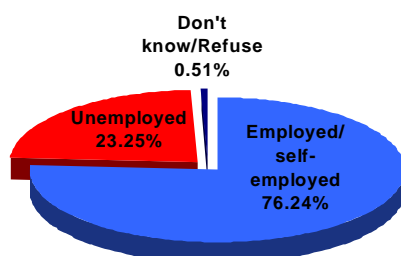
### Facts about the Anglers:

- § About 59% of the Florida anglers surveyed own a boat used for recreational saltwater fishing.
- § The anglers surveyed spent on average \$246 per day on boat fees when fishing on a party charter or rental boat.
- § Travel and lodging expenses averaged \$96 per trip for anglers interviewed on multi-day trips.
- § About 11% of anglers surveyed who were employed gave up some income by taking a day of fishing. The average income "missed" was around \$195 per trip.
- § The anglers surveyed who live in-state have been fishing an average of 16 years.
- § About 11% of the anglers surveyed were women.

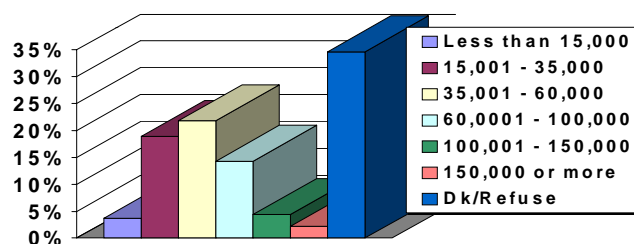
### Age Distribution



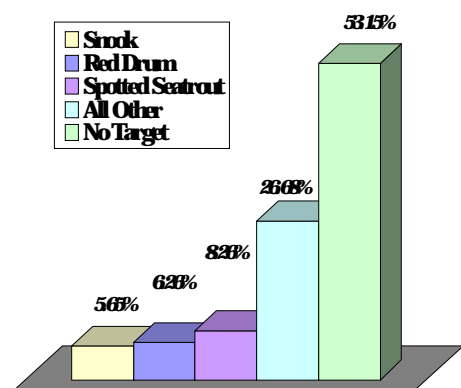
### Employment Status



### Household Income Distribution



### Primary Species Targeted on Intercepted Trip



### Stated Effects of Regulation & Catch Rate Changes on Days Spent Fishing

Did you change the # of days you fished based on:	% OF ANGLERS RESPONDING:	DIRECTION OF CHANGE	AVERAGE DAYS CHANGED
CHANGE IN REGULATIONS	YES: 6%	Increase: 32%	22
	NO: 92% D/K: 2%	Decrease: 68%	22
CHANGE IN CATCH RATES	YES: 7%	Increase: 46%	23
	NO: 91% D/K: 2%	Decrease: 54%	30

\*The data are representative of the anglers surveyed and may not be reflective of the population of this state.